

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2414 - HB 3132**

February 21, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Expands TennCare eligibility to individuals under 19 years of age with a family income below 250 percent of the federal poverty level.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase Expenditures -   \$354,514 State  
                                     \$621,166 Federal**

**Increase State Revenues -Less Than \$100,000**

Estimated amount for increased enrollment of 1,000 children with incomes greater than 200 but less than 250 percent of the poverty level. TennCare eligibility is currently open to uninsured children under age 19 and to children who have access to insurance but cannot afford it (family income under 200 percent of poverty). **The current Fiscal Year 1997-98 Budget contains an appropriation to cover 50,000 children, and approximately 28,000 were enrolled as of January 31, 1998. The TennCare Bureau of the Department of Health estimates that the additional enrollees can be absorbed within existing budget resources in the short-run.**

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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